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Congress of the United States **House of Representatives**

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Broward College: Aviation Training Center. The entity to receive funding for this project is Broward College, they are located at 111 E. Las Olas Blvd, Suite 33-522, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301.

The funding would be used for the second phase of its Aviation Workforce Training Center. The second phase of the project will add additional space (15,130 nsf), and remodel (8,286 nsf), to provide high-demand programs with the needed resources to meet instructional needs. This project will include closing in the open-air sections of the building as well as renovating the existing space to create classroom space that will support hands-on training with specialty tools and aircraft components.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the continuous growth of the aviation industry in South Florida has made this project vital to train and equip the right staff to keep our three major airports operating. Graduates from Aviation programs are considered High Skill/High Wage and in great demand by the Aviation industry. The programs at this facility will also help to address the shortage of Air Traffic Controllers by opening more spaces for people to enroll.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Debbie Wasserman Schultz

Member of Congress